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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
***DeKalb County's Holiday Lights Recycling Drive***

This year the DeKalb County Health Department is partnering with DeKalb Iron and Metal Company (DIMCO) for our 6th Annual Holiday Lights Recycling Program. Last year, the Holiday Lights Program collected nearly 3,000 pounds of Christmas lights.

The recycling program will run from November 10, 2016 until February 15, 2017. We accept all string lights and extension cords.

Residents can drop off their old holiday lights at any of the following drop off locations during regular operating hours:

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| DeKalb County Health Department<br>2550 N. Annie Glidden Rd.<br>DeKalb   | DeKalb County Farm Bureau<br>1350 W. Prairie Dr.<br>Sycamore     |
| DeKalb Park District Sports & Rec Center<br>1765 S. Fourth St.<br>DeKalb | Village Hall of Waterman<br>215 W. Adams St.<br>Waterman         |
| City of Genoa<br>333 E. First St.<br>Genoa                               | City of Sandwich<br>144 E. Railroad<br>Sandwich                  |
| Sycamore Centre<br>308 W. State St.<br>Sycamore                          | City of DeKalb Municipal Building<br>200 S. Fourth St.<br>DeKalb |
| DeKalb County Legislative Center<br>200 North Main St.<br>Sycamore       | Kishwaukee Family YMCA<br>2500 Bethany Rd.<br>Sycamore           |

Year after year residents find themselves testing bulbs and replacing fuses. When that does not work, the lights often end up in the garbage. With this program, DeKalb County can divert all holiday lights from the landfill, as recycled goods. One strand of lights may seem as though it does not help, but even these small contributions help reduce waste going into the landfill.

For more information about The Holiday Lights Recycling Program, please call Michelle Gibson at 815-748-2408 or email [recyclemailbox@dekalbcounty.org](mailto:recyclemailbox@dekalbcounty.org).